



## 10 REASONS FOR CHOOSING CURAÇAO AS YOUR NEXT DIVE DESTINATION

### 1. FINEST DESTINATION IN THE CARIBBEAN SEA

There's no shortage of great diving destinations in the Caribbean Sea. Few corners of the world boast such crystal clear waters, such diverse flora and fauna, and such breathtaking beauty. With its superior amenities, unrivalled convenience, unlimited adventure and enchanting underwater scenery, there's one popular Caribbean diving paradise that surpasses them all: Curaçao.

### 2. SHORE-DIVING

Grab your diving goggles, take an admiring glance at the pristine white sand beneath your feet, and make a beeline for the sea. That's the beauty of shore diving! Conditions on the island of Curaçao are perfect for this type of dive. Calm waters, excellent visibility and lots to explore. Your diving adventure begins right here on the beach.

### 3. MORE TO DISCOVER

Looking for plenty of variety? No problem! With over 70 dive sites on land or sea, there's always another underwater adventure to experience on Curaçao.

### 4. CONSERVATION A TOP PRIORITY

It's only once you're face to face with all that underwater splendour, that you realise just how important it is to protect it. Management, conservation and protection are top priorities on Curaçao. The island's commitment to sustainable and responsible tourism ensure that you and future generations can continue to enjoy its fragile beauty for many years to come.

### 5. AN INCREDIBLE WRECK DIVE

One fateful September day in 1977, the Superior Producer listed and sank en route from Isla Margarita. The coastal cargo ship finally settled some sixty metres from the coast of Curaçao, where it now lies veiled in coral and sponges. This enthralling shipwreck dive is suitable for experienced and advanced divers alike. The wheelhouse is readily accessible, whilst more seasoned divers can explore the ship's engine room.

### 6. QUALITY AND SUPERVISION

The Dive Task Force which forms part of the Curaçao Hospitality and Tourism Association (CHATA) comprises dive schools that are approved by the Curaçao Tourism Board (CTB) and monitored for their quality, safety and commitment to sustainable tourism.

### 7. WITH OPEN ARMS

Curaçao offers a wide range of accommodation options. Some benefit from their own diving school directly on the beach, others provide a shuttle service to the nearest dive centre. Hiring a car? Then you can enjoy the added convenience of driving to a dive site of your choice. And you can rest assured; you'll be welcomed with open arms wherever you go.

### 8. NOT A HURRICANE IN SIGHT

Many mistakenly believe that the risk of a hurricane is the same throughout the Caribbean. Fortunately, Curaçao is located slightly south of the hurricane zone, so the hurricane season invariably passes the island by. You therefore needn't worry about this type of weather event spoiling your diving holiday.

### 9. SO MUCH TO SEE...

Our oceans are as diverse as they are wide. The Caribbean sea is teeming with countless species of life, including spiny lobster, parrotfish, angelfish, turtles, scorpionfish and moray eels. Got a particularly sharp eye? Then you might be lucky enough to spot striped coral shrimp, nudibranchs and perhaps even a monkfish or two. Embark on a night dive, and you can admire anemones, octopuses and spider crabs, all under the magical glow of your dive light.

### 10. ...AND SO MUCH MORE TO DO

It's impossible to get enough of the underwater world. But venture ashore and you'll not be disappointed. There's so much more to Curaçao than coral and seahorses. Discover everything this beautiful island has to offer. Feel it for yourself.